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REFERENCES

- The applicant(s) wish to make of record the references which were cited in the attached International Search Report and are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references have been cited in parent Application Serial No. 09/868,340 filed June 18, 2001, which is the National Stage of International PCT Application No. PCT/EP99/10237, filed December 21, 1999.
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